

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Huang, et al.

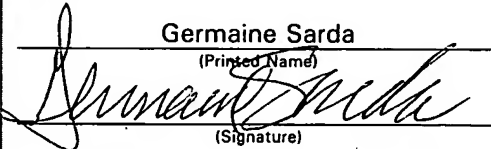
Title: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS  
FOR THE AMPLIFICATION OF  
MUTATIONS IN THE DIAGNOSIS  
OF CYSTIC FIBROSIS

Prior Appl. No.: 10/659,582

Prior Appl.  
Filing Date: 09/09/2003

Examiner: Unknown

Art Unit: Unknown

<b>CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING</b>	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service's "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated below and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.	
EL990321632US	February 9, 2004
(Express Mail Label Number)	(Date of Deposit)
Germaine Sarda	
(Printed Name)	
	
(Signature)	

**CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION**  
**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is a:

☐ Continuation ☐ Division ☒ Continuation-In-Part (CIP)

of the above-identified copending prior application in which no patenting, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred. Priority to the above-identified prior application is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for this continuing application. The entire disclosure of the above-identified prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuing application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (49 pages).
- ☒ Formal Drawings (1 sheet, Fig. 1).
- ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76) (3 pages).
- ☒ Return postcard.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Filed	Included in Basic Fee	Extra Claims	Rate	Fee Totals
Basic Fee				\$770.00	\$770.00
Total	27	- 20	= 7	x \$18.00	= \$126.00
Claims:					
Independ	5	- 3	= 2	x \$86.00	= \$172.00
ents:					
If any Multiple Dependent Claim(s) present:				+ \$290.00	= \$0.00
Surcharge under 37 CFR 1.16(e) for late filing				+ \$130.00	= \$130.00
of Executed Declaration and late payment of					
filing fee					
				SUBTOTAL:	= \$1198.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):					= \$0.00
				TOTAL FILING FEE:	= \$1,198.00

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,198.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0872. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-0872.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date February 9, 2004

FOLEY & LARDNER

Customer Number: 30542

Telephone: (858) 847-6722

Facsimile: (858) 792-6773

By Barry Wilson

Barry S. Wilson

Attorney for Applicant

Registration No. 39,431